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American College of Surgeons Scheduled To Evaluate North Dakota Trauma System

BISMARCK, N.D. – The American College of Surgeons will conduct an evaluation of the North Dakota Trauma System April 27 through 30, 2008, according to Amy Eberle, state trauma coordinator for the North Dakota Department of Health.

North Dakota has an integrated comprehensive state trauma system designed to be inclusive of all health-care providers in the state. The trauma system provides a state of readiness or a preplanned response for care of injured victims. This response requires the use of coordinated communications, accurate identification of the level of care needed and rehabilitations services.

The trauma systems evaluation process conducted by the American College of Surgeons will provide a broad perspective on all components of the trauma system and their integration and function, leading to the identification of opportunities for trauma system improvements and enhancements.

The public is invited to attend the summary presentation provided by the American College of Surgeons Wednesday, April 30, 2008, at 1 p.m. at the Best Western Seven Seas Motel in Mandan, N.D.

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